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For: SURFACE TEXTURE MEASURING MACHINE, LEVELING DEVICE FOR SURFACE TEXTURE MEASURING MACHINE AND ORIENTATION-ADJUSTING METHOD OF WORKPIECE OF SURFACE TEXTURE MEASURING MACHINE

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Further to the amendment filed on March 12, 2002 and the March 26, 2002 personal interview, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 2, 4 and 6-8 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A surface texture measuring machine for measuring a surface texture of a workpiece held on a workpiece orientation adjustment stage, the workpiece having an edge line, the workpiece orientation adjustment stage being movable in a measurement direction (X-axis direction) and in a direction (Y-axis direction) orthogonal with the X-axis direction within a horizontal plane and rotatable in a X-Y plane, the workpiece orientation adjustment stage being capable of seesawing in a direction (Z-axis direction) orthogonal with the X-axis direction within a perpendicular plane, and the surface texture of the workpiece being scanned by a sensor movable in the X-axis direction after adjusting orientation of the workpiece orientation adjustment stage, the surface texture measuring machine comprising: